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HEBREWS IN RUSSIA. They Are Again Being Harassed by Government of the Czar.

correspondence of the London Standard.

The Jews in Russia are again being harassed with renewed rigor, by order, presumably, of the government, since oppressive measures are not confined to any one place. I have already noted the order about Jewish stage people of all classes being prevented from moving freely about the country in pursuit of their profession. This measure took the form of a published order to apply the clauses of the law relating to Jews under which such action could be taken. But there are other means of making things uncomfortable for the race, which Russians hate, because they fear them more even than Germans or Poles, I do not merely refer to the endless trouble and hindrances made in the matter of changing and duly entering passports in the police books. This is a process which is simple, or almost impossibly difficult, according to the idiosyncracies of the acting official of the time or place. But in-terpretations are being put upon laws which common sense, to say nothing of a sense of justice, hardly warrant. For example, the law allows Jews who, before the anti-Jewish campaign of ten years ago. had secured the rights of "first guild merchants" to reside in the capitals, St. Petersburg or Moscow. Unhappily, the law lid not expressly say that a Jew merchant had the right to trade. Therefore, if a St. Petersburg, and he may even live there, he dies, his wife and children are imme-'cleaned out" is significant of the point of view, and is used in official papers), and other place whence they originally came to the capital.

As a general rule, increased persecu-tion of Jews in Russia signifies that certain of the authorities are being made uneasy by various carehidden and extremely unpleasant occurrences of a more or less revolutionary nature, and the Jew is a convenient scapegoat for all parties. There have certainly of late been quite enough incidents in various parts of the empire to disturb the minds of those responsible for the policy of ruling Russia after the methods of half a century ago, and, as usual, the Jew is being made to suffer. Of course there is some foundation for the charge that the Jews are more or less mixed up in every movement of a secret, and possibly danger-ous, nature. But, then, the Jew is in Rus-sia, together with the Armenian, the one man who can be found to enter upon new undertakings, whether of a good or bad nature. The Russian is lethargic and unenterprising. Naturally, therefore, rot only in revolutionary movements, so-called, but in every other form of activity known in Russia, the Jew is represented, and, having no friends, is a convenient anvil

for every official hammer.

A New Woman's Rights Problem. From the London Daily Graphic. The French feminists continue to draft plans for the social advantage of their sex. They still demand that marriage shall not entail the sacrifice of their maiden names, but that Miss Brown-to take a concrete example-shall continue to be called Brown after, and in spite of, her union in the bonds of matrimony with Mr. Smith; and the Parisians are now exercising their in-genuity upon the question, What, in such a case, would be the proper appellation of the children? The suggestion that they should be called after their fathers and mothers alternately in alternate weeks has nothers alternately in alternate weeks has already been dismissed as unpractical; and the suggestion that they should weld the names of their two parents into a double-barrelled name is also fraught with incon-venience. With the passage of the years the time would not be the passage of the years the time would naturally come when a little Brown-Smith would marry a little Jones-Robinson, and for the use of their Jones-Robinson, and for the use of their children not a double-barrelled, but a four-barrelled name would be required, and so on, in geometrical progression, to names of such a length that it would be impossible to engrave them on brass plates or print them on visiting cards, or even get a servant to announce them correctly at a dinner party. inner party.

From the Critic.

It is not generally known that Gerhardt is a confirmed nomad. Loving nothing more than work and the quiet of family life, he yet finds it impossible to remain long in any given place. Wherever he elects to reside he must have his own house, and if none proves suitable he thinks little of building according to his tastes and whims. In rapid succession Herr Hauptmann has established himself near Schreiberhau among his beloved Silesian Alps, at Grunewald, in the environs of Berlin, at Aguetendorf, and, some months since, he again moved, settling this time in Dresden. It now appears that Herr Hauptmann has just completed a fantastic residence at Blasewitz on the Elbe, not far from the Saxon capital. The ornamental features of this new structure more than work and the quiet of family Elbe, not far from the Saxon capital. The ornamental features of this new structure are all inspired by motifs from "The Sunken Bell." On the capitals, in the tympani, and dotted about the roof are carved figures of "Nickelmann," "Rautendelein," and the wood sprites who gave such color to the most poetic and profoundly symbolical drama since "Peer Gynt." It is futile to speculate whether or not Herr Hauptmann will be content to remain here in the latest version of his fancy, from the windows of which he daily watches the sweep of the river, the heights of the Pillnitz, and the towers of Albrechtsburg. He may stay or he may go, but in any even this restless spirit seems just now to hold in his keeping the future of the German drama. He alone of all his colleagues, has proven that he has the courage to fail as well as to succeed.

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Danger in Too Much Study,

From Leslie's Weekly. A writer in the Medical Record sounds a wise and timely note of warning in regard late the ideas in widely differing d ments of knowledge at one and the time. The effort to do so deranges in

HOW CORAL INSECTS BUILD

A PROBLEM THAT LONG WAS A POSER TO NATURALISTS.

The Solution Offered by Darwin

Seventy Years Age New Com monly Accepted.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Among all the varied productions of living nature none can perhaps vie in respect of interest with those of the coral animal. From our boyhood's days we have been accustomed to read of coral islands, but it is to be feared that many of the descriptions given of these structures in the tales we pored over in our youth must be ranked more as successful ventures in the line of fiction than in that of actual science. Yet

the scientific side of the story of coral is

quite as wondrous in its way as anything

which the fertile brain of the story writer is able to conceive. Every one is familiar, from a visit to a natural history museum, with the general appearance of coral. There are, of course, very many different species of structures included under this common name. We see great masses of stony hardness assuming fantastic shapes, and constituting in their way veritable rocks. Others are of a more delicate description and may assume the form of miniature organ pipes, while the coral itself, so much valued for the manufacture of articles of jewelry, repre-sents the opposite extreme from the course limy masses referred to. I may explode at the outset the outset an erroneous idea regarding the red coral. This coral is practically confined to the Mediterranean sea and grows in a small tree-like form. The idea that islands formed of red coral exist is a piece of pure fiction, and those corals which more especially concern us here as the builders of reefs are represented by the coarse, stony

used in the construction of grottoes and Not an Old Discovery.

ferneries.

masses familiar in museums, but also often

It is not so very long ago in the history of science that coral was discovered to be the work of an animal. The ancients regarded coral, and especially the red coral, which they knew best, as the work of the marine plant. Latin poets tell as of the coral plant, which is soft in its native waters, but becomes hard when drawn up from the sea and exposed to the action of the air. A young French student, Peyson-nel, discovered the fact that coral was a substance represented by the secretion of an animal. He described accurately enough the kind of animal which makes coral. He compared this animal to the sea anemone, which we find in every rocky hollow around our own coasts. In so doing he was perfectly correct, for the coral animal is really a kind of insect and a familiar denizen of the seaside.

There is, however, this difference between the latter and the coral animal. The former, as a rule, is a single animal; the cormer. as a rule, is a single animal; the cor-als are usually compound. That is to say, one coral animal gives rise to another by a process of budding, and in this way a mass of coral is seen to be the work not of one animal, but of many hundreds of thousands, produced as a kind of colony in the way just described. It is this power of increase by budding which enables corals to con-struct reefs of great magnitude. Possessing what is practically an unlimited power of what is practically an unlimited power of increase, they succeed in producing enormous masses of rocky substance, and we must not forget that every coral animal has the power of producing eggs. Each egg which comes to full development settles down, gives origin to one coral animal, and; as this in turn buds like its forefathers, a new colony is thus commenced.

Carbonate of Lime. Regarding coral itself, we find that sub-

stance to be represented by a hard carbon-

ate of lime. The matter which we find accumulated in bollers and kettles in hardwater districts as nearly as possible represents the coral substance. The material for making this hard secretion, the possession from the sea anemone, is obtained from the sea water. Carbonate of lime exists in so-lution in the water, and the coral animals. absorbing this material from the sea, build within or without their bodies. In this way, when the coral animals themselves die they leave behind them what a poet has well called "the imperishable masonry of the sea." The power of budding is not, of course, limited to corals. We are familiar enough with it in the case of plants, but many other animals besides corals grow into colonies by the budding process. Corals can also add to the number in a colony through another process, namely, simple division of the body. We see how the body simply divided in two gives rise to two individuals, and thus adds to the nu-merical strength of the mass. The conditions under which corals live and grow are very simple. They may be summed up in the words—a certain heat and a certain death. The question of heat naturally settles the range of the corals in space; that is, determines their geography in the exist-ing earth. The reef-building corals do not

therefore be seen that it is only in tropical regions where we may expect to find the fullest development of coral life.

VALUE OF CONVERSATION. Ready Tongue Often Helps Men to

urish in seas where the water is below 60

degrees or thereby of Fahrenheit. It will

the Front.

Great and important as are the uses of conversation described by me in a former paper, there is another more practical benefit from it, of which I wish to speak in this article, namely, as a help to worldly advancement or success in life. First there is the advantage to be derived from the understandings of other men in the exercise has his strong point-his special subject, on which he is at home and better qualified to speak than any one else. No individual, however acute or strongminded, can sift and probe to the bottom of a subject so effectually as the minds of many men con-

verged on it and looking at it from different points of view.
Daniel Webster, who, if any man could do so, might have trusted his own unaided judgment in forming an opinion or deciding a question, had, nevertheless, great faith in the aid to be derived from conversation. "In my education," he once said to Charles Sumner, "I have found that conversation-with the intelligent men I have had the good fortune to meet has done more for me than books ever did; for I learn more from them in a talk of half an hour than I could possibly learn from their books. Their minds, in cenversation, come inte intimate contact with my own mind, and I have detected in their books. Converse, converse, converse with living men face to face, and mind to mind—for that is one of the best sources of knowledge." The great English philosopher, John Locke, held a similar view. When asked how he had contrived to amass such an amount of knowledge as he possessed, he replied that he attributed what little he knew to his not being ashamed to ask for information, and to a rule he had adopted of conversing.

Public school buildings will become social sical entertainments and similar gatherings ing yesterday afternoon are approved by before the committee in a report from Su-perintendent of Schools Cooley, and the suggestions made by him were adopted after a brief discussion. In his report Su perintendent Cooley recommended that the school buildings be opened free of charge for the following purposes, subject to such rules as may be made by the board of education: Meeting of teachers for educational purposes, annual graduation exercises, one alumni meeting each year, meetings of students of schools for musical or literary exercises appropried by the principal of the reises approved by the principa